

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

POLLUTION REPORT

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POLREP NO.: 2 (Two)
INCIDENT NAME: Synkote Paint
SITE/SPILL NO: E004F
POLLUTANT: Material includes Benzene, Toluene, Xylene,
Epichlorohydrin Diethanolamine, Glacial acetic
acid and Isophorone
CLASSIFICATION: Major
SOURCE: Abandoned Paint Facility
LOCATION: Elmwood Park, Bergen County, New Jersey
AMOUNT: 300 Drums mixed hazardous materials and lab
chemicals.
WATER BODY: Passaic River

1. SITUATION:

A. See Polrep #1

2. ACTION TAKEN:

A. Preparation for Removal Activities at the Synkote Paint Site continued through September 1989.

B. On September 22, 1989 air samples were collected inside and outside the building to determine existing levels of contaminants in the air.

C. ERCS mobilized to the site on October 2, 1989.

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D. ERCS activities during the period 10/02/89 through 10/12/89 included:

- 1) restaging of all drums and overpacked drums
- 2) Sampling for disposal analysis of all drums
- 3) Site security including changing of locks, boarding of windows and placement of warning signs
- 4) Consolidation of all Lab size containers into fiber drums (labpacks)
- 5) Arrangement of disposal contracts for hazardous materials.

E. EPA TAT activities included

- 1) Compilation of Administrative record, this included notification in a local newspaper and placement of the file in a local repository (Elmwood Park Public Library).
- 2) Air monitoring and additional sampling.
- 3) Documentation of all activities.

F. A total of 231 drums were found to contain material and were sampled. Eight labpack containers were created.

G. On October 23, 1989 a infrared security system was installed inside the building.

3. FUTURE PLANS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

A. Upon receipt of analytical data ERCS will remobilize and remove all containerized hazardous materials.

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